



# Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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## Agricultural Summary

Utah farmers continue doing fall work. The days suitable for work was 6.4 days. Livestock continue to do well.

## Field Crops Summary

Cache County reports that farmers are plowing their fields and hauling manure. There is a growing concern with in the county about the escalating price of farm fuel. Summit and Beaver counties report that farmers are finishing fall work. Weber county reports that recent rains have provided good weather for fall planted grains, alfalfa, and pasture.

## Livestock Summary

Cache County reports that most beef cattle are now back from public grazing lands, but producers are disappointed that feeder cattle prices have dropped dramatically this past month. Wayne County reports that livestock are coming off the summer ranges; however, ranchers within the county are also discouraged because calf prices are way down. Reports from the various newspapers sites indicate that the influx of beef cattle in the market has driven the price down. Summit County reports that the last of the cattle and sheep are being moved off the summer ranges, and that most lambs and calves have been sold and shipped to buyers. Beaver County reports that hay for cattle has been hard to find. Ranchers within the county have started looking for winter pastures outside of the state.

## Crop Progress for Week Ending October 28, 2007

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Winter Wheat Emerged	72	58	90	76
Corn Grain Harvested	58	52	95	56
Apples Harvested	92	87	95	91

## Crop & Livestock Condition for Week Ending October 28, 2007

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Range & Pasture	10	29	44	17	0

## Soil Moisture for Week Ending October 28, 2007

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Topsoil	13	26	61	0
Subsoil	15	37	48	0
Stock water supplies	10	40	50	0